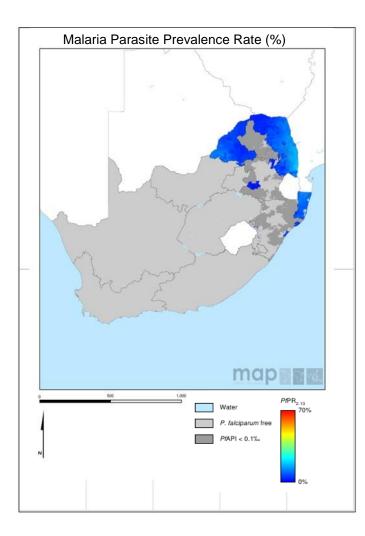
South Africa ALMA Quarterly Report Quarter Three, 2018



Scorecard for Accountability and Action



Metrics

IRS financing 2018 (% of at-risk population)	100
Public sector RDT financing 2018 projection (% of need)	
Public sector ACT financing 2018 projection (% of need)	100
World Bank rating on public sector management and institutions 2017 (CPIA Cluster D)	

Insecticide Resistance Monitoring, Implementation and Impact

Insecticide classes with mosquito resistance in representative sentinel sites confirmed since 2010	2
Insecticide resistance monitored since 2015 and data reported to WHO	
National Insecticide Resistance Monitoring and Management Plan	
Scale of Implementation of iCCM (2017)	
IRS Operational Coverage (%)	92
Reduced Malaria Incidence by >40% by 2020 (vs 2015) (projected)	

Tracer Indicators for Maternal and Child Health and NTDs

Mass Treatment Coverage for Neglected Tropical Disease (NTD index, %)(2016)			
Estimated % of Total Population living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2017)	61		
Estimated % of children (0–14 years old) living with HIV who have access to antiretroviral therapy (2017)			
% deliveries assisted by skilled birth attendant			
Postnatal care (within 48 hrs)			
Exclusive breastfeeding (% children < 6 months)			
Vitamin A Coverage 2016 (2 doses)			
DPT3 coverage 2017 (vaccination among 0-11 month olds)			

Key

Malaria is present in the three northern provinces of South Africa bordering Mozambique and Swaziland. The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2016 was 4,323 with 34 deaths.



Target achieved or on track Progress but more effort required Not on track No data Not applicable



Malaria

Progress

South Africa secured sufficient resources for the insecticides required for IRS in 2018, although there are some gaps in operational costs, and treatment with ACTs in 2018. The country has achieved a significant increase in IRS coverage. WHO has identified South Africa as being a country with the potential to eliminate local transmission of malaria by 2020. The country has recently submitted insecticide resistance data to WHO and finalised the insecticide resistance monitoring and management plan. South Africa has significantly enhanced the tracking and accountability mechanisms for malaria with the development of the Malaria Elimination Scorecard.

Impact

The annual reported number of malaria cases in 2016 was 4,323 with 34 deaths. The country experienced an increase in cases of more than 20% between 2015 and 2016 and investigating and addressing the key underlying reason for this upsurge will be a key priority for 2018.

Key Challenges

- The country reported an increase in malaria in 2017.
- Risk of re-introduction of malaria from neighbouring countries.
- There is a need to strengthen cross border collaboration with neighbouring countries.

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
Impact	Investigate and address the reasons for the WHO estimated increase of greater than 20% in the malaria incidence rate between 2015 and 2016	Q4 2018		In 2016 and 2017, South Africa started and finished the spraying late in the season due to procurement and supply chain challenges, which, alongside the challenge of inadequate human and financial resources for surveillance and supervision contributed to the low and delayed coverage, with resulting increased cases. To address these bottlenecks, additional resources were committed by Government to enhance performance. Micro plans were developed for each of the provinces and the country prioritised spraying of high-risk areas. Cases are significantly lower in 2018 compared to 2017

Previous Recommended Actions

South Africa has responded positively to the recommended actions addressing the lack of data on iCCM and continues to strengthen access to treatment of malaria, pneumonia and diarrhoea.

New Key Recommended Action

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe
Optimise quality of care	Ensure the IRS programme is fully implemented before the beginning of the malaria season	Q4 2018

MNCH

Progress

The country has made significant progress in scaling-up the tracer MNCH interventions of skilled birth attendants and postnatal care.

Progress in addressing Neglected Tropical Diseases (NTDs) in South Africa is shown using a composite index calculated from preventive chemotherapy coverage achieved for schistosomiasis and soil transmitted helminths. Preventive chemotherapy coverage in South Africa is high for soil transmitted helminths (100%), but low for schistosomiasis (0%). Overall, the NTD preventive chemotherapy coverage index for South Africa in 2016 is 3, which represents a slight increase compared with the 2015 index value (0).

Previous Recommended Action

Objective	Action Item	Suggested completion timeframe	Progress	Comments - key activities/accomplishments since last quarterly report
NTDs	Given the high coverage of Soil Transmitted Helminths (STH) Preventive Chemotherapy (PC) already achieved, implement PC for Schistosomiasis alongside STH, at least for school- age children	Q4 2018		Deliverable not yet due

Key

Action achieved
Some progress
No progress
Deliverable not yet due